

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: <b>Dankovich et al.</b>	§	Group Art Unit: <b>2136</b>
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For: <b>Heterogeneous Domain-Based Routing Mechanism for User Authentication</b>	§	Attorney Docket No.: <b>AUS920030647US1</b>

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Prior to continued examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 4 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.